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CONFLICT BETWEEN NIE 40 AND SECTIONS OF THE NIS

Attached hereto is a memorandum from the Chairman of the Economic Intelligence Committee submitted for consideration at the IAC meeting on Thursday, 16 August 1951, with the purpose of obtaining a resolution of the conflict described.

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SUBJECT:

Conflict Between NIE 40 and Sections of the NIS

I have been instructed by the Economic Intelligence Committee to request from the IAC a statement of the relative priority of NIE 40* and certain sections of the NIS program. At the last meeting of the EIC both the Army and the Navy representatives indicated that preparation of their assigned sections on NIE 40 would /cause considerable delay in their submission of certain NIS assignments. In view of this conflict and in response to the Navy's request the detailed terms of reference for the economic sections were pared down to the absolute minimum necessary to answer the central question raised by the estimate. The Army and Navy representatives indicated that in spite of this revision a delay in the submission of sections of NIS studies in the highest priority group would result which might be as much as one and a half to two months. The EIC Working Group on NIE 40 feels that the assignments now proposed for the Army and Navy relating to such items as shipbuilding, transportation, weapons productions, electronics, and the like cannot be satisfactorily secured from any other source and it is the opinion of this group that these assignments are an integral and vital part of the study.

/s/ MAX F. MILLIKAN

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